MyBB Forum Platform Administrator's Getting Started Guide

ADMINISTRATION CONTROL PANEL (ACP):

When you first open your forum, **login** using your administrator name and password to bring up the **Board Index** screen. The index list will be empty until you have created one or more forums.

1. Access the **Dashboard** home page by clicking the **Admin CP** link at the top left.
2. The six tabs across the top link to control panels, and on the left there is a quick access menu with direct links to frequently used pages. The screen's center section presents basic board information. The main panels you need to get started are **Configuration**, **Forums & Posts**, and **Users & Groups**.

BOARD CONFIGURATION

From the dashboard home page, click the **Configuration** tab, and then the **Settings** link at the upper left. This will bring up a list of pre-defined *Settings Groups*, where you can control all aspects of your board's operation. Some of the most important for getting started are *General Configuration*, *Forum Home Options*, *Forum Display Options*, and *User Registration and Profile Options*.

FORUM MANAGEMENT

The easiest way to create a forum is to click **Add New Forum** at the left of the dashboard home page, but you can also get there by clicking the **Forums & Posts** tab and then selecting **Forum Management** from the left menu.

1. The **Add New Forum** page allows you to create and name either a *Category* (that can contain one or more forums), or a *Forum* (that will contain posts), as well as offering tools for setting permissions.
2. The **Forum Management** page presents a list of categories, forums, and sub-forums. It allows you to assign moderators and manage all levels of permissions.

USER MANAGEMENT

The **Users and Groups** tab offers a wide variety of options for managing forum access.

1. Users can be assigned roles with pre-defined permissions. The basic roles are *Administrator, Super Moderator, Moderator, Registered User,* and *Guest*.
2. Users can be assigned to one or more groups, and permissions can be set either individually or by group.
3. Users can have different roles in different forums.

For more detailed information, reference [MyBB Forum Application Administrator's Guide](#) on the Storefront Help Page.